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March 5, 2015

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.  
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A HEALTH EQUITY AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT FOR THE PARKS AFTER DARK PROGRAM**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on April 19, 2011, to accept and execute grants and awards from federal, State, and other public and private agencies in amounts not to exceed \$100,000 per term, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept a Health Equity award from the Public Health Institute on behalf of the California Endowment, in the amount of \$25,000, to support the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Parks After Dark (PAD) program. The Department of Public Health will use these funds to offset services and supplies for PAD programming during the summer of 2015.

PAD is an innovative summer program, organized by DPR in partnership with the Sheriff's Department, as a component of the Los Angeles County (County) gang violence reduction work. The program takes place at six County parks in communities with high rates of violence, obesity, and economic hardship, and is designed to promote healthy activity and curb violence and gang-related crimes through youth engagement and wellness programs. PAD has demonstrated impacts on improved social cohesion, reduced violent crime, increased physical activity, and the potential to reduce the burden of chronic disease in communities across the County.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the award as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Interim Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors